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HOLOCAUST CURRICULUM TO BE FEATURED AT INDIANAPOLIS WORKSHOP Part of the Bureau of Jewish Education “We Must Bear Witness” Series

Indianapolis, Indiana (August 31, 2009) – On Monday, October 19, 2009, Deborah Batiste of the Anti-Defamation League will come to Indianapolis to present the ADL Curriculum *Echoes and Reflections: A Multimedia Curriculum of the Holocaust*. The workshop will begin at 5:30 pm in the Bureau of Jewish Education Domont Auditorium, 6711 Hoover Road, Indianapolis. This workshop is part of the BJE “We Must Bear Witness” series that trains educators in Holocaust education in order to comply with state mandates.

Whether teaching a full semester Holocaust Studies course or including information about the Holocaust in a unit of study on World War II, *Echoes and Reflections* allows teachers to choose as little or as much material as they can cover in a specific time period and still cover the subject matter effectively. Developed primarily for use with high school students, the curriculum has also been adapted successfully to accommodate both younger and older students.

Ten (10) multi-part lessons are provided with a companion DVD of over two-and-a-half hours of visual history and testimony from survivors and other witnesses of the Holocaust. Each of the interdisciplinary lessons is supported with numerous primary source documents, including poems, literature excerpts, maps, photographs, timelines, a glossary, and student handouts.

Echoes and Reflections is the result of an unprecedented partnership among three leaders in education: the Anti-Defamation League, the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education, and Yad Vashem. This resource includes everything teachers need to teach the complex issues of the Holocaust and its lessons for today.

Founded in 1911, the Bureau of Jewish Education is the central agency for Jewish education in Central Indiana, serving as a resource for community synagogues, day schools, agencies, and institutions involved in Jewish education. Each year, the BJE hosts workshops about Holocaust Education in the Fall and Spring. In addition to teacher training, the BJE also provides Holocaust Trunks and speakers to schools throughout the state and offers tours of the local Holocaust Memorial Garden. For more information about the Bureau’s Holocaust Education program, visit www.bjeindy.org.